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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Division of Professional Regulation

861 Silver Lake Blvd., Conference Room A Cannon Bldg., Dover, Delaware 19904

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: July 20, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Franco R. Bellafante, Professional Member, Chair Charles Adams, Jr., Professional Member, Vice-Chair James Bielicki, Jr., Professional Member Kelly Katz, Professional Member Carla Cassell-Carter, Public Member (arrived at 8:34 a.m.)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lakiyah Chambers, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Diane Calloway

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bellafante called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mr. Bielicki, to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2017 meeting as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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There was no unfinished business.

Mr. Bellafante had Mr. Maloney clarify the process for the upcoming Rules and Regulations public hearing in the fall.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratify Certificate of Authorization Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mr. Bielicki, to approve the ratified certificate of authorization applications of The Kercher Group, Inc. and So-Deep, Inc. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Professional Land Surveyor Reciprocity Applications

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Bellafante, seconded by Mr. Adams, to approve Anthony DiRosa for licensure contingent on receiving a passing score of the Delaware Drainage and Jurisprudence exam. The motion was unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received registration information for the FARB (Federation of Association of Regulatory Boards) 25th Annual FARB Regulatory Law Seminar in Savannah, Georgia October 5-8, 2017.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Mr. Bellafante, with regards to the upcoming rules and regulations public hearing the Board will be holding in the fall, inquired as to how licensees are notified of any regulatory changes that are made by the Board. Mr. Maloney advised that proposed rules and regulations are published in the Registrar of Regulations, there are public notices made 20 days prior to public hearings in both the Delaware State News and The News Journal as well as the hearing being listed on meeting agendas for Boards. Mr. Maloney added that it is also the responsibility of the licensee to be familiar with their professions' regulations and statutes. Mr. Bellafante felt that there should be a notice distributed to the licensees whenever there is any type of change in the professions' regulations or statute, including the proposed changes that will be introduced in the upcoming rules and regulations public hearing in the fall.

Mr. Bielicki inquired on the legalities of professional engineers holding themselves out as surveyors. After a brief discussion, Mr. Maloney stated that the exemption for engineers performing land surveying would be covered by Del. C. § 2718 (1) which states "Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as preventing or restricting the practice, services, or activities of: any person or persons licensed to practice engineering or architecture in Delaware."

PUBLIC COMMENT

Diane Calloway, DTCC Department Chair, came before the Board to introduce herself and ask that they review and comment/approve the colleges' proposed Course Sequence Sheet and Program Graduate Competencies list. The Board reviewed both documents, suggested minimal changes to wording on the Program Graduate Competencies list and gave their approval on both forms.

Ms. Calloway made a statement that the college is always looking for instructors, especially for the surveying portion, should there ever be an interest to teach.

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NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be July 20, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in Conference Room A.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Bielicki, seconded by Mr. Katz, to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 a.m. The motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Q. Witte

Administrative Specialist II